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Dear Kris:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing interest in Mississippi. I am very honored to serve Mississippi's citizens as their Governor. I have enclosed the information you requested regarding my cabinet, as well as a copy of "Mississippi At A Glance" and information on Mississippi's symbols.

Kris, I have developed several educational initiatives which I feel will improve education in Mississippi. I am working to place an Internet-accessible computer in every public classroom in Mississippi by the end of 2002. I am also committed to raising the average salary of Mississippi's public teachers to that of the southeastern states' average. I am also supporting legislation to require that all school superintendents in Mississippi be appointed, rather than elected. I am also encouraging children to participate in the Governor's Reading Honor Roll for those who read twenty or more books a year. Finally, I believe that students should address or respond to teachers or school administrators with the appropriate titles of respect (i.e., "Yes ma'am," "No, sir"). For this reason, I am promoting Mississippi's "Respect" legislation, which is similar to laws passed in South Carolina and Louisiana.

Kris, thank you again for expressing interest in Mississippi. I wish you the best!

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

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